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THIS IS (b)(3):10 USC 424
1. AR
2. ATTACK ON HIGH LEVEL ARG AF OFFICER (U)
3. N/A
4. 1975, DEC 10
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7. (b)(3):10 USC 424
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9. 1975, DEC 10
10. N/A
11. (b)(3):10 USC 424
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15. L. (U) BRIGADIER MAYOR (MG) ALY L.I. GORBAT, COMMANDER OF ARG AF PERSONNEL AND THE FIFTH RANKING OFFICER OF THE

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ARG AF, WAS SHOT FOUR TIMES THIS MORNING WITH AN FAL AUTOMATIC WEAPON. THE ATTACK OCCURRED AT APPROX 0730 IN FRONT OF HIS HOME. HIS DRIVER WAS ALSO WOUNDED, A SON OF THE BRIGADIER STANDING NEARBY WAS UNHURT.

2. (U) THE BRIGADIER WAS HIT ONCE IN THE LEG AND HAND AND TWICE IN THE LOWER TORSO, ONE BULLET DAMAGING HIS SPLEEN AND THE OTHER IMPACTING ON THE PELVIC BONE. HE UNDERWENT SURGERY SHORTLY AFTER THE ATTACK AT THE OLIVOS HOSPITAL. HE IS EXPECTED TO SURVIVE, THOUGH HIS CONDITION IS SERIOUS.

3. (U) THE AMBUSH WAS SET UP BY A YOUNG SOLDIER, KNOWN TO THE BRIGADIER, WHO WORKED IN THE OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT OF PERSONNEL. THIS SOLDIER SON OF THE PROVINCE OF NEUQUEN'S GOVERNOR SAPAG - ASKED THE WAITING DRIVER (ANOTHER SOLDIER) TO GET THE BRIGADIER SINCE HE (SAPAG) NEEDED THE BRIG TO INTERCEDE IN HIS BEHALF IN GETTING A SEAT ON AN ARG AF FLIGHT. THE DRIVER COMPLIED AND AS BRIG CORBAT EMERGED FROM HIS HOME, A CAR DROVE UP AND THE OCCUPANT(S?) AND SAPAG OPENED FIRE. SAPAG ESCAPED WITH HIS ACCOMPLICES. IT IS ASSUMED THAT THE TERRORISTS CONFIRMED BRIG CORBAT'S PRESENCE AT HIS HOME PRIOR TO THE ATTACK BY A PHONE CALL WHICH WAS RECEIVED SHORTLY BEFORE THE INCIDENT.

4. ~~(C/NNINTEL/NOFORN)~~ COMMENT: ATTACK MAY BE IN REPRISAL FOR ARG AF'S MUCH PUBLICIZED AIR ATTACKS AGAINST GUERRILLAS IN TUCUMAN (b)(3):10 USC 424 HOWEVER, THE FACT THAT IT FOLLOWS VERY CLOSELY BEHIND THE MURDERS OF GEN CACERES MONIE AND WIFE (b)(3):10 USC 424 SUGGESTS THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE TERRORISTS MAY BE AGAIN TRYING TO GOAD THE MILITARY INTO A COUP. SO FAR, ARG AF OFFICERS ARE MAINLY CONCERNED OVER THE SURVIAL CHANCES OF BRIG CORBAT, BUT ANGER IS ALREADY DISCERNIBLE. THIS MSG COORD WITH EMBASSY. ~~XGDS-3~~

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